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The Honorable William F. Knowland  
United States Senate  
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Senator Knowland:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 10 February 1950 together with its enclosure of a letter to you from Mr. Jack K. McFall, Assistant Secretary of State. Reference is also made to your letter to me dated 18 January and my reply to you of 24 January 1950, on the subject of the dismantling of the Deutsche Edelstahlwerke plant at Bochum, Germany.

I am at a considerable loss to explain to you the inaccuracy of my reply of 24 January, in which I informed you that this particular plant was not being dismantled. It was an inexcusable error, and I offer you my apologies for its occurrence.

The best information that I now have available is that the Deutsche Edelstahlwerke plant has been dismantled, and that the total tonnage for reparations is 1699.2 tons. Cumulative to 31 December 1949 the total dismantling amounted to 1674.5 tons. In view of the small tonnage remaining to be dismantled as of 1 January 1950, it is presumed that this work is now completed. The countries to which this material is to be allocated are Albania, France, Greece and Belgium.

Again please accept my regrets in connection with our error.

With best wishes, I am

Sincerely,

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10 February 1950

Dear Admiral:

With further reference to my letter of January 18 together with your reply of January 24 I thought you might be interested in the enclosed copy of a letter I have received from Jack K. McFall, Assistant Secretary of State.

Sincerely yours,

(Signed)

William F. Knowland

Rear Admiral Roscoe H. Hillenkoetter  
Central Intelligence Agency  
Washington 25, D. C.

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24 January 1950

The Honorable William F. Knowland  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Knowland:

Thank you very much indeed for your letter of 18 January together with the enclosure. I am always glad to get any such information as that you sent and for your own information, we have checked on the matter and the plant in question is not being dismantled.

If you receive any more such telegrams, I should be very grateful if you would forward them on to us.

Again, with thanks and best wishes, believe me,

Sincerely,

Signed - *W. H. Hillenkoetter* 12/4/50

R. H. Hillenkoetter  
Rear Admiral, USN  
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